

HOT CIDER

CIDER MILL PTA PUBLICATION - October 30th, 2017

Cider Mill School is a Community of Learners, ALL committed to being the best we can be..

Important Dates

Oct 30	Day 1
Oct 31	Halloween Parades- Bus Loop 8.45am : Belden Hill & Nod Hill 9.30am: Cannondale & Kent
Nov 3	“Pay It Forward for Puerto Rico”- Donations Deadline
Nov 6-7	NO SCHOOL (Professional Learning)
Nov 9	Turkey Trot
Nov 10	Veterans Day Assemblies
Nov 14	PTA Meeting, 9:15am, Cafeteria
Nov 14	Photo Retake & 5th grade Photo Day
Nov 16-21	Book Fair
Nov 16-21	EARLY DISMISSALS @ 11.55am (Conferences)
Nov 23-24	NO SCHOOL (ThanksGiving Recess)

Important Phone Numbers

Cider Mill Main Office: 203-762-3351
Report an Absence: 203-834-4950 or fallonk@wiltonps.org
Bus Transportation: 203-762-3381
Chartwells: 203-834-4990 x5221

From The PTA Co-Presidents

Dear Parents, Guardians and Caregivers,

We would like to thank everyone who contributed to the district wide fundraiser 'Hats for Hurricanes' and for participating in the parent led Puerto Rico collection and flag drawings.

Hopefully, by now you would have seen flyers and emails for our upcoming **Turkey Trot** and **Book Fair**. We would love if you are able to spare some time to help with these events.

Also check out our website, www.cidermillpta.org or our Facebook group 'Cider Mill Parent Community'.

Thanks for everything you do.

Amanda Patania and Annemarie Aronowitz
PTA Co-Presidents.

From Dr. Kevin Smith

2018 - 19 Education Budget

Date: Thursday, November 9th, 2017
Time: 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.
Location: Wilton High School Library Learning Commons

All interested members of the Wilton community are invited to attend and participate in a community conversation about the education budget. Members of the community will have the opportunity to meet in small groups with the Board of Education members and administrators to share their thoughts and ideas about current budget priorities, and recommendations for moving forward. The evening will be an opportunist meet for Wilton residents to become engaged at the very beginning of the budget process.

School News

Join the PTA ~ We Need Your Support!

Please join the Cider Mill PTA! Over 300 families and teachers have joined the PTA so far this year. Thank you for your support! And, while we would love for you to get involved, you do not have to volunteer! Your membership and donation dollars fund valuable programs at Cider Mill, including: Visiting Author, 5th Grade Year Book, Field Days, Student Enrichment Programs, Fun Nights, Teacher & Staff Appreciation, Gifts and Grants, Hospitality, Book Fair, Reflections, and many more.

PLUS, when you join the PTA, you gain instant access to our online directory!

Visit <https://mobilearq.com/schooldirectory/>, choose parent or teacher registration, enter your email, name and the code "wilton" to join, pay your membership dues and make a supporting donation, if you're feeling generous! (Please add support@mobilearq.com to your address book to ensure delivery of the confirmation email with temporary auto-login link.)

Pay It Forward for Puerto Rico

Support your child in their efforts to participate in Cider Mill's school wide fundraiser- "Pay It Forward for Puerto Rico!". Help them brainstorm ideas to raise money, encourage their creativity and their generosity! Students can earn money by doing chores, setting up a lemonade stand or a bake sale, or collecting donations from family. Be creative in your fundraising efforts. Every little bit counts! If every student at Cider Mill raised \$5, we could raise more than \$4500 for hurricane victims!! All proceeds will be donated to Save the Children, Puerto Rico. Return donations to the main office in an envelope marked-

"Pay it Forward for Puerto Rico", by Friday November 3rd

Checks made out to Save the Children, are preferred. Cash is also welcome.

**Students are also encouraged to color in the flag on the flyer and return with their donations! These will be displayed in the halls of Cider Mill to promote our fundraiser!

Turkey Trot

This is our 42nd Annual Jim Cook Turkey Trot to benefit Wilton Families in Need. Please click on the link for more information and how you can help - <https://goo.gl/rxRSXN>

The timings are: 4th grade: 8:45- 9:15 a.m.,
3rd grade: 9:30 a.m.-10:00 a.m.,
5th grade: 10:15- 10:45 a.m.

Please consider a voluntary minimum \$2 donation to benefit Wilton Social Services.

Veterans Day Assembly

The CM PTA will be hosting a Veteran's Day Breakfast on Friday, November 10th, in the cafeteria to honor the veterans and their families attending the Veteran's Day Assembly.

8am - 8:45am : Cannondale and Nod Hill

9am -9:45am : Belden Hill and Kent

Book Fair

The CM PTA will be hosting its annual Fall Book Fair on the following dates and times-

Thursday, November 16 10 - 3:30
Friday, November 17 7 - 3:30
Monday, November 20 7 - 3:30 and 6 - 8 pm (New Evening Hours)
Tuesday, November 21 7 - 3:30

Please visit <http://signup.com/go/zhFqRTj> to volunteer for this event.

Here's how it works in 3 easy steps:

1) Click this link above to see the SignUps.

2) Review the options listed and choose the spot(s) you like.

3) Sign up! It's Easy - you will NOT need to register an account or keep a password on [SignUp.com](#).

Note: [SignUp.com](#) does not share your email address with anyone. If you prefer not to use your email address, please contact me and I can sign you up manually. Please feel free to contact Cider Mill Book Fair co chairs Melissa Pennucci at melpooch@gmail.com, Sarah McCall at sarahlynnmccall@yahoo.com & Eileen Allers eileen.allers@mac.com.

Volunteer at the Cider Mill Library Learning Commons!

The Cider Mill Library is in need of volunteers to help fill in vacancies in our volunteer schedule. The shifts are an hour and a half every other week or weekly. The volunteers are very valuable to keep the library functioning smoothly by check out books to students. If you are interested in volunteering, Please contact Jen Fila at jennfila5@gmail.com or Jackie Couch at jackie.couch13@gmail.com for more information.

Ongoing School News

Find Us on Facebook!

The PTA has a group on Facebook called Cider Mill Parent Community. It is a place where the PTA can communicate to parents, and also where parents can communicate with one another. Please check it out by clicking here: [Cider Mill Parent Community](#)

Lost and Found

There are two L&F locations in Cider Mill. One is at the doorway where you go to the playground, on the high school side (Cannondale). The other is by the front door on the far side of the bus loop (Kent). You or your child can check these locations for lost items. At the end of each season, the unclaimed items are donated to the Turnover Shop with proceeds going to the Cider Mill PTA. Contact Amanda Mitchell with questions, at amandaNmittchell@gmail.com.

Box Tops

Collect box tops to help Cider Mill raise money! Be sure to collect your box tops and submit them to your class teacher. Visit <http://www.boxtops4education.com/> to learn more about the program. Contact Box Top Chair, Heather Mroz at heathermm@optonline.net if you have any questions.

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